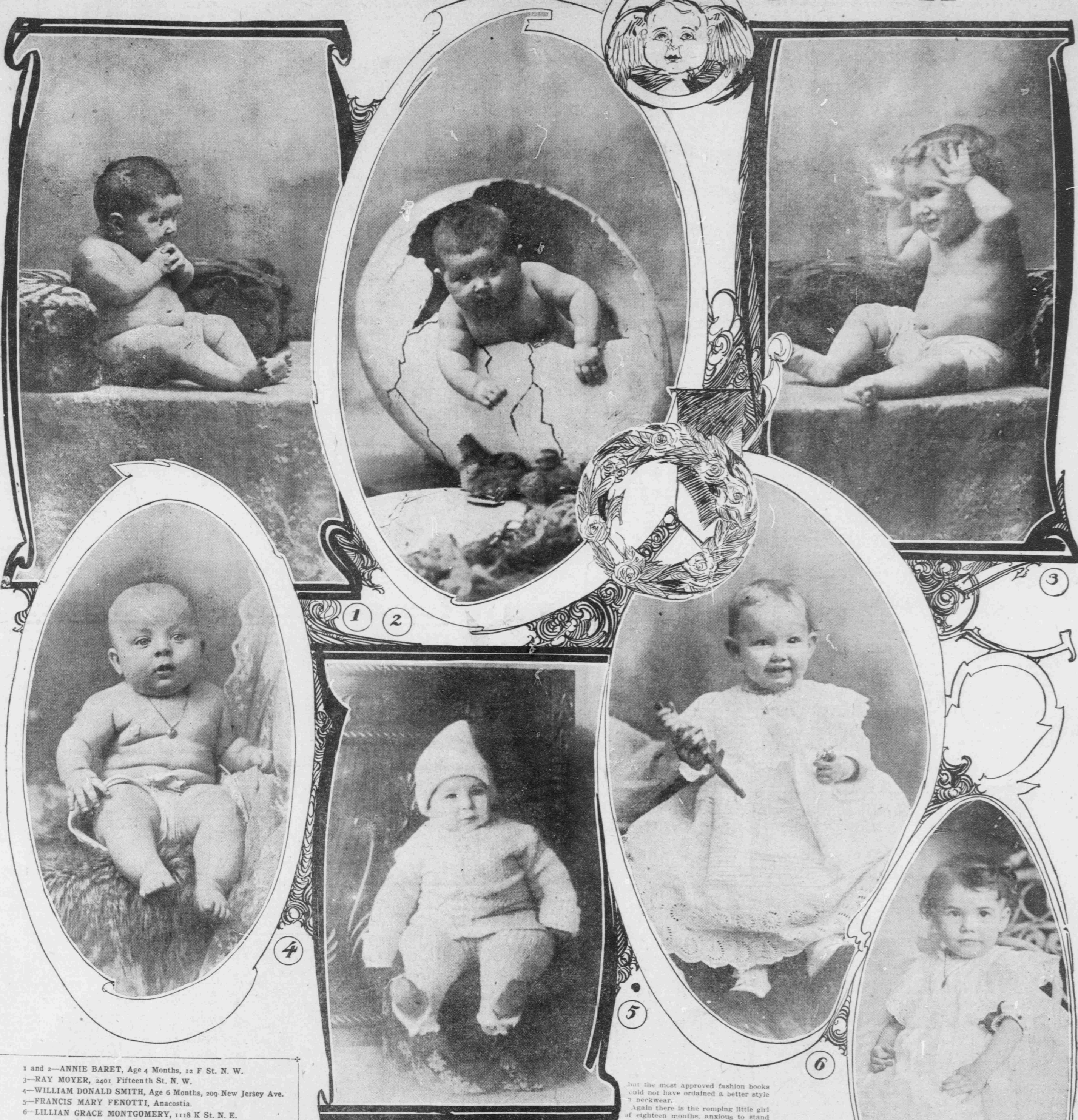


IS WASHINGTON'S CUTEST BABY HERE?



1 and 2—ANNIE BARET, Age 4 Months, 12 F St. N. W.
 3—RAY MOYER, 2401 Fifteenth St. N. W.
 4—WILLIAM DONALD SMITH, Age 6 Months, 209 New Jersey Ave.
 5—FRANCIS MARY FENOTTI, Anacostia.
 6—LILLIAN GRACE MONTGOMERY, 1118 K St. N. E.
 7—MISS NANIE SYLVESTER, 2219 Tenth St. N. W.

SINCE the publication in last Sunday's Times of a series of photographs of Margaret Oyster, the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. William Oyster, as the cutest baby in Washington, The Times has received many photographs of other babies whose claims to cuteness are asserted to equal if not exceed those of little Margaret.

It is not that these loving parents deny the attractions of the little lady whose fascinating pictures filled a page of last Sunday's paper.

On the contrary, they were highly interested, and found much pleasure in studying out the pictures and in analyzing these same little charms.

But it was not to be denied that, in their opinion, little Miss Oyster had not cornered all the fascinating qualifications of babyhood even if she had mastered the art of writing letters and giving tea parties. They argued that the curve of her mouth was most fetching, but that "Cupid's bow" had not been exhausted when little Margaret first looked on the sea of life; another was quite sure that the charm-

ing little bit of a nose which looked out from last Sunday's paper had its rival, and still a third declared in emphatic tones that bright blue eyes were even then mocking and laughing into those of the paper baby.

In the pictures which have reached The Times since last Sunday there are many proofs that Washington has its full share of interesting and attractive babies. They do not live in any particular section of the city, but, fortunately, are distributed throughout Washington, so that, in fact, almost every neighborhood may claim a little king or queen, each with a scepter and a heart throne as little Margaret claims.

A glance at the pictures which are today reproduced for The Times readers cannot fail to convince them that Washington has its infantile beauties as well as older belles. Neither can one doubt that in each of these charming little folks is to be found the attractions that turn a home into a small section of Happyland and rejuvenate a busy father and careworn mother until the whole world seems full of sunshine and everything a thing of joy.

There is the little year-old baby who just twelve months ago was a red-faced little creature that looked like nobody in particular. Today he is full of life, laughing, cooling, pulling his father's necktie out of place, and making this same fond parent believe

that the most approved fashion books could not have ordained a better style of neckwear.

Again there is the romping little girl of eighteen months, anxious to stand up and walk like other little girls, but finding her little underpinnings far too weak to carry her chubby little self across the room. She has a smile for her father, a bigger one for her mother, and one for every relative and friend who comes in to lip out a lot of unintelligible things.

From the age of twelve months until the babies have left "Mother Hubbards" and kilts behind them, one finds dozens of fascinating babies. Even without the word of their fond parents it is easy to see from the stacks of photographs which have been received during the past week that these little folks are surely captivating through the camera and must necessarily be doubly so in real life. They bespeak the happiness that only a child of that age may know and in their little faces, their expressive eyes, and the bewitching curve of the lips it is easy to see how a mother and father may well take exception at

any other baby being rated as more fascinating or more lovable than their particular little girl or boy.

Following the series of today there will be another group of attractive babies printed next Sunday and the

readers and friends of these little folks will have the pleasure and opportunity of seeing their own little favorites given a place of honor on the baby page in The Washington Times.